

Lassiter High School *Optional* Summer Reading 2025

~ College Prep English II ~

Enhance your reading skills this summer!

Summer reading plays a pivotal role in maintaining and enhancing literary skills during lengthy breaks from formal education. It acts as a bridge between academic years, preventing the so-called “summer slide,” where critical reading skills might otherwise decline without regular practice. Beyond the academic benefits, summer reading also opens doors to new worlds, ideas, and cultures, fostering a lifelong love of curiosity and learning. It encourages personal growth and development by allowing readers to explore subjects and stories of interest at their own pace, in a relaxed environment. This period of exploration and discovery not only strengthens reading habits but also enhances critical thinking and empathy, as readers immerse themselves in diverse perspectives and experiences.

Our recommendation for College Prep English II summer reading is *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe. We have also linked two informational texts below to help with your comprehension of the text:

[The Igbo - Their Society, Culture, and Politics.pdf](#)

[The Scramble for Africa.pdf](#)

If you have a preferred book in mind, please feel free to choose that instead. We look forward to discussing this book and more during the upcoming school year. *Note: There is no assignment or grade attached to the reading of this book; it is for enrichment purposes.*

